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801 EAST CENTRAL BLVD., ANADARKO, OK 73005



To feature Eric Tippeconnic in a Special Exhibition

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ANADARKO, OKLAHOMA: The Southern Plains Indian Museum, administered by the Indian Arts and Crafts Board, U.S. Department of the Interior, will feature an exhibit of artwork by Eric Tippeconnic. The exhibition will run from July 15 to September 2, 2016. The exhibition is free and open to the public.

Eric Tippeconnic, an enrolled member of the Comanche Nation of Oklahoma, is a talented painter. He holds a Masters of Arts from the University of Colorado, Denver, and is presently a PhD candidate in Native American History at the University of New Mexico. In addition to his career as a full time visual artist, Eric is a Lecturer in the History Department at California State University, Fullerton. He currently resides in Los Angeles, California with his family.

As a self-taught painter, Eric credits both his father's Comanche heritage and his mother's Danish culture with sparking his interest in art at an early age. His artistic process begins with revisiting stories he was told as a child, reading historical documents, and examining photographs. Through these oral traditions and media he finds inspiration for his bold and vibrant paintings. Another signature of Eric's work is a sense of movement in his subjects. The motion he depicts, along with his use of bright colors, represents the evolution of his Comanche cultures' ability to adapt and thrive in the contemporary world. He hopes the viewers will understand that all American Indian tribes are living cultures that are continuously evolving.

Eric's work has been displayed in numerous museums and galleries including: the Washington State History Museum, Tacoma, Washington; the Great Plains Art Museum, Lincoln, Nebraska; the Chico Art Center, Chico, California; and the Gallery for Visual Arts, Greeley, Colorado. He feels a great sense of pride and accomplishment to have an opportunity to display his artwork at the Southern Plains Indian Museum, in the heart of Comanche country.

The objects featured in the exhibition may be purchased by contacting Eric Tippeconnic directly at etippeconnic@hotmail.com, www.numunudansk.com, or by phone at (909) 560-3097.

The Southern Plains Indian Museum is managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior, Indian Arts and Crafts Board. Regular viewing hours are Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. All exhibits at the museum are free and open to the public. The museum is located at 801 East Central Blvd., Anadarko, Oklahoma. For more information call the museum at (405) 247-6221.